Application No. 09/670,884

- 1. (Thrice Amended) An article comprising:
- a classifier wheel;
- a disk defining a concentric circular opening; and
- a fastener for concentrically attaching the disk to a particle outlet opening of the classifier wheel and wherein said article is fixed to the lower surface defining a second concentric circular opening within the first concentric circular opening and reduces a diameter of the first concentric circular opening.
  - 22. (Thrice Amended) An apparatus comprising:
  - a classifier wheel;
  - a disk defining a concentric circular opening; and
- at least one fastener adapted to attach the disk to a particle outlet opening of the classifier wheel wherein said classifier wheel further comprises an upper solid surface and a lower surface defining a first concentric circular opening therein and a plurality of blade vanes connecting the upper surface to the lower surface.